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4 Words for New Churches

Betty and I were blessed this past Sunday morning to attend the New Beginnings Church in Clarkton, North Carolina. The church is only a few weeks old. It is pastored by the founding pastors—Anthony and Tonia Rich. There were 53 present and on a holiday weekend.

The service was powerful. The presence of the Lord was awesome. The pastor asked me to say a few words and to pray over the new youth pastor—Rev. Renee' Ellis and his wife Cindy. Four words were given me by the Lord. These words were creativity, innovation, truth and grace.

The words truth and grace come from John 1:14. Every church new and old needs to present Jesus who is full of grace and truth. These words contain the essence of the foundation of every true church. Every church should present the full truth of Jesus. This should be always in the context of grace. Every relationship with the Lord begins with understanding that He forgives sins.

Creativity and innovation speak to relevance. If churches are to reach individuals for Christ, it must be in a way that they can understand. The services must be full of diversity with each activity manifesting the presence of the Lord. Such diversities as blended music, drama, PowerPoint, etc. are common.

New Beginnings fit all these qualifications. People are being saved, the gospel is being preached, and lives are being changed. We give a hearty well done to Anthony and Tonia Rich. A praise the Lord to our heavenly father is in order. May the Lord give us many more such churches.

This is a new church and could use many items—chairs, nursery supplies, children's church materials, etc. Pastors, give Brother Rich a call. Things that you are not using could be a real blessing to New Beginnings. In fact this Saturday night, September 8th, several of the local churches are giving the church a "shower."

Harvest Train

November 20th

Remember to bring your financial gifts and commodities.

Lady Clergy: Deborah's Daughters
Regional Training and Fellowship Meeting

Friday, September 28th 7:00 P.M. at Good News Ministries PH Church in Jacksonville
and Saturday, September 29th 9:30 A.M. at Belfast PH Church in Goldsboro

Call Reverend Janice Marshburn at (910) 324-4388 for more information.
Registration is requested no later than September 18th.

Praise Corner:

- For an excellent and blessed Piney Grove Camp Meeting. Great attendance
- For the annual Global Outreach Offering edging to $300,000. The goal is $310,000
- For a miracle filled Falcon camp Meeting. There were many defining moments!
- For the first School of Ministry of the new year. Reverend Oris Hubbard taught Genesis and Exodus. It was an excellent class.
- Great progress is being made on obtaining a new Superintendent at Falcon Children's Home. A public announcement should be forthcoming.
- For an excellent start to the Fall District Conference.

Prayer Corner:

Randy Gentry—Chemotherapy
(Frank and Betty Gentry's Son)
T.L. Byrd
Gloria Dixon—Chemotherapy
Conrad Hall
Gladys Johnson
Mazelle Butts
Holmes Bible College—New Campus
Myrtle Marshburn
Kathleen Williams
Dextor Norris
Dolores Reynolds' Mother
Family of Stanly King—Joseph King,
Stanley's father passed away
Joe Heath—liver transplant
Mark Reynolds

Christine Tyson
Tim Henry's daughter
Roger Jones
Ron Barefoot, Sr.
W.M. Cordon
Awilda Concepcion—Cancer
Betty Tolar
Bob Dortch—Husband of Alice
Dortch
Elton Lancaster—Hospital
J. Doner Lee
Ella Whichard
Larry Smith
Raleigh Horton
Betty Dowdy
Katherine Knox

Harold and Frances Lewis
Flossie Price
Joyce Weaver
Susie Moore—Chemotherapy
King White—Hospital
Vadie Leggett—Stroke
Cheyenne Thorne
Betty Rogers
Sarah Brafford—Loss of brother

2008 Calendars:

The new calendars for next year are being distributed at the district conference. These will be mailed to those ministers not attending the meetings—Anyone else desiring a calendar should call the conference Church Education Department.

New Report Books:

New report books for licensed and ordained ministers are being distributed at district conference. They will be mailed to others after district conference. Ministers should use these books beginning in January 2008 or earlier if their former books run out.

Men's Ministries Retreat:

The annual Men's Ministries Retreat is coming up soon. Friday and Saturday, September 14 and 15. The event will be held in Falcon. I have not missed ANY of these events. It is a great time to worship and fellowship with other men. Pastors need this meeting also. Rod Handley of Character That Counts is the guest speaker. Ronnie Basden and his team have planned a great event. Contact Ronnie for more information at (252) 523-8380.

Open Churches:

Hopewell—Lotis Joyner Interim

Nakina

Evangel, Fuquay Varina

Thunder Swamp

Grimesland

Sneads Ferry

Selma

New Assignments:

Rev. Shawn Carrow to Garland Church

Rev. Lamarr Jackson to Brock's Chapel

New Ministers:

Yeni Fientes—Local Church Minister

Elvin Beltre—Ordination (Moved back into the Conference)

Wayne Stanberry—Ordination (Returned from Church of God of Prophecy)

School of Ministry:

This is an excellent time to prepare for credentials, gain CEU's, be refreshed, and learn more of the kingdom. The school is open for ministers and laity. Anyone may attend.

September 7-8	IPHC Articles of Faith & Government	MCP 1.02
Instructor: Chris Thompson	Light for the Journey	2101998
	IPHC Manual	2101996
	Study Guide	4601002
Instructor: Danny Nelson	Acts…Tyndale Commentary	MCP 2.02
	Acts book	2108747
	Study Guide	4602002
October 12-13	The Life and Teachings of Christ	MCP 2.03
Instructor: T.E. Long	A Short Life of Christ	4608242
	Study Guide	4602003
November 9-10	Church Growth I	MCP 2.04
Instructor: Wiley Hughes	The Purpose Driven Church	2106559
	Study Guide	4602004
December 7-8	Church History	MCP 2.05
Instructor: Danny Rollins	Turning Points book	2107787
	Study Guide	4602005

District Conference: The staff and I are in the midst of district conference. **Every** licensed and ordained ministers are required to attend. Local Church Ministers are encouraged to attend. These are the vision casting conferences for 2008. The Feast of Ingathering offerings for the church schools are also being collected. Please see the insert for the dates and locations of the district conference.

Lumberton	Kingdom Place, Pastor Gary Strickland	Monday, September 10
Wilson	Shiloh Church, Pastor Elwood Long	Tuesday, September 11
Hispanic South	Newton Grove, Pastor Juan Montes	Wednesday, September 12
Wilmington	Good News Ministries, Pastor Phillip Bland	Thursday, September 13
Rocky Mount	Victory Praise & Worship, Pastor Aubry Spear	Monday, September 17
Raleigh	Smithfield Church, Pastor Wayne White	Tuesday, September 18
Morehead City	Harkers Island, Pastor Stacy Watford	Thursday, September 20
Greenville	New Destiny, Pastor Marc Swanner	Monday, September 24
Fayetteville	Mount Carmel, Pastor Wiley Hughes	Tuesday, September 25
Hispanic North	Princeton, Pastor Carlos Nunez	Wednesday, September 26
Goldsboro	Brock's Chapel, Pastor Lamar Jackson	Thursday, September 27

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FALL MPM 2007 Mission—Prayer—Ministry

Please call or email Gina Page with your registration plans at (910) 980-1162 or ginapage@nc.rr.com

Betty and I are off and running with our Fall Revival of MPM's with ministers and spouses. We look forward to these times of fellowship and ministry. It is our desire that every minister make every effort to attend on of these meetings.

Oct 1	Wilson Area	6:00 P.M. Dinner 7:30 P.M. Meeting	Parkers BBQ Wilson First Church
Oct 2	Raleigh Area	9:30 A.M. Meeting 11:45 A.M. Lunch	Hope Church Panchos Restaurant
Oct 8	Goldsboro Area	6:00 P.M. Dinner 7:30 P.M. Meeting	McCall's Restaurant Hwy 70 Liberty Church
Oct 9	Greenville Area	9:30 A.M. Meeting 11:45 A.M. Lunch	New Destiny Church Golden Coral
Oct 22	Lumberton Area	6:00 P.M. Dinner 7:30 P.M. Meeting	Fullers West View
Oct 24	Wilmington Area	9:30 A.M. Meeting 11:30 A.M. Lunch	Wilmington First Church McDaniel Farms, Wilmington
Nov 5	Fayetteville Area	6:00 P.M. Dinner 7:30 P.M. Meeting	Hibachi Grill, Dunn Trinity Lake Shore Church
Nov 6	Clinton Area	6:00 P.M. Dinner 7:30 P.M. Meeting	Salemburg Pizza Peniel Church